



# PHILS PAGE



I was absolutely delighted with the size of crowd we had for Tuesday's game here against Walsall. The result was not what we'd hoped for, of course, but the terrific support we are getting at the moment shows that a lot of people firmly believe that there's something round the corner for us.

It was a pity we weren't able to perform as well as we had in our previous away games but what was really pleasing was that when Walsall scored their equaliser the crowd did all they could to get us out of the lull. It was tremendous to hear the vocal support driving the team forward and I'm sure the supporters played a big part in sparking that improvement we saw in the last 20 minutes of the game.

Unfortunately we let a couple of points slip but what has really encouraged me recently is that we've picked up a couple of impressive away wins. You don't like dropping home points but if you can compensate by winning away from time to time, it doesn't worry you guite as much.

Hopefully we'll have improved our injury situation somewhat in time for David Reeves and Stuart Storer to be included in the squad for this afternoon's game when we'll be hoping to pick up three points that are badly needed to maintain our current position in the league table.

A win is important, of course, but it's vital if things are not necessarily going our way during the course of the game that we don't get over-anxious. I can honestly say that we've had terrific commitment from the players this season, whatever the results. But I've stressed to them that, however determined they are, they must always keep the right balance and shape. I want them to keep pushing forward but it's got to be in a sensible way.

Things have been going well, we remain unbeaten here at home and, as I've said before, if we can continue to pull together we will get our reward.

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I watch Swindon Town on many occasions and when the draw for the Littlewoods Cup was made, it was a game I could not miss. I like to see any ex-Liverpool players do well especially when they become a manager.

I came away from the match happy to see Swindon get a draw, even though Bolton scored late on, and you were very unlucky not to be awarded a penalty in the second half.

I was very impressed by your teams footballing ability and am sure that we will be playing you in the Second Division next season.

After the game while talking to many Swindon supporters it was obvious that they were impressed by your teams performance.

Finally I would like to say that Bolton Football Club and their supporters are a credit to football, who on that night against Swindon showed all the good things about football that there is to be seen.

I wish you all at Bolton every possible success for this coming season (except the replay) and for many years to come.

Yours sincerely, Eric Edwards (Toothill, Swindon, Wilts.) Update on the Burnden 7 Aside Football Leagues



#### MONTERAZE PREMIER DIVISION

Although Morris Green had a free fixture night the results of the games played went in their favour, and they still Top the league by 5 points and a game in hand over second placed Deane FC, visitors over Collie Carpets by 1-0 Kevan Roberts being the scorer.

Ainsworth Arms continue to have the Indian Eye on the Health Service winning 3-0, goals by Glen Guffogg, Sean Harrison and Andy Loftus.

Stags Head's victory over Lynton Sevens dumped Lynton to their lowest position in the league for three years, Andy Foy and Ian Horrocks netting a goal apiece.

Much improved HB Electronics shared the points with Breightmet United, drawing 1-1, an Ian McDonaugh Penalty for HB, Paul Grimes scoring for Breightmet.





#### R.S. 1st DIVISION

Campbells Sevens took full advantage of M.R. Wanderers fixture free night to go Top of the R.S. League on goal difference with a somewhat fortunate goal by Marcus Brown being enough to take three points from Highfield FC. After an indifferent start to the season The Duke FC continue to climb the table beating Metro Wanderers by the odd goal in seven: Scorers: The Duke-Richard Shackleton 1. Paul Baxendale 1, Phillip Merrels 2, Metro—Hugh Gillespie 2, Steve Clarke 1.

With seconds to go, Grosvenor Windows looked to have the game won with a fine goal from Karl Denton, but a late mix up in the Grosvenor defence allowed Carrs Pasties Tony Guffogg in to pinch a late goal and a point.

Aalco FC Versus Lowton Wanderers drew 1-1 but had to rely on each other for the goals with each team scoring an own goal.

9.30.00	Av. Home		Ground	Highest Home			
	Att. 89/90		Capacity	League Att. 89/90			
Birmingham C.	9106	6265	38408	10834	V	Walsall	
Blackpool	4325	4276	12696	5737		Birmingham	
Bolton W.	6023	5528	24232	6496		Chester	
Brentford Bristol C. Bristol R.	5728 9460 5298	5681 8120 5259	12100 30868 8844	7962 17432 6120	v v	Fulham Bristol R. Reading	
Bury Cardiff C. Chester C.	3329 4135 2235	3367 4384 3055	8000 39545 8474	3969 6372 2618	v v	Bristol R. Bristol R. Bristol R.	
Crewe A.	3534	3296	5900	4284	V	Bolton W.	
Fulham	4370	4938	19400	4811		Tranmere	
Huddersfield T.	5919	5821	31010	7872		Bolton W.	
Leyton O.	4599	3793	26500	5364	V	Notts. Co.	
Mansfield T.	2879	4005	12298	3229		Walsall	
Northampton T.	3429	3918	11000	4088		Bristol C.	
Notts. Co.	5394	5675	24077	6332	V	Tranmere R.	
Preston N.E.	6881	7737	16500	9135		Bolton W.	
Reading	4072	5105	13500	4743		Fulham	
Rotherham U.	5638	5063	17913	6846	V	Bolton W.	
Shrewsbury T.	3812	4706	16000	5118		Crewe A.	
Swansea C.	3389	4896	18165	3847		Crewe A.	
Tranmere R. Walsall Wigan A.	7240 4178 2517	5331 6108 3151	18500 16018 12500	9020 5020 3136	v v	Crewe A. Northampton T. Tranmere R.	

Up to and including 28th October, 1989.
Ground capacities as at start of season—subject to changes due to revision of local authority safety certificates.

# TOP SCORERS BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION THREE League and Cup Upto and including 28th October

- 13 Muir (Tranmere R.)
- 13 Williamson (Roth'ham U.)
- 11 Philliskirk (Bolton W.)
- 10 Malkin (Tranmere R.) 8 Bailey (Birmingham C.)
- 8 Taylor (Bristol C.)
- 7 Senior (Reading)
- 7 Shaw (Preston N.E.)
- 6 Castle (Leyton O.) 6 Cooper (Leyton O.)
- 6 Christie (Mansfield T.)
- 6 Mendonca (Rotherham U.) 6 Reeves (Bolton W.)

The attendance of 9,135 at the Preston—Bolton game last Saturday was the fifth highest crowd for a Third Division game so far this season. The four lowest crowds so far have all been at Sealand Road. Figures upto and including 28th October:

#### BARCLAYS LEAGUE DIVISION THREE 1989-90

#### Highest Crowds

17,432	Bristol C. v Bristol R.
10,834	Bristol C. v Bristol R. Birmingham C. v Walsall Birmingham C. v Crewe A.
10,447	Birmingham C. v Crewe A.

9,188 Bristol C. v Shrewsbury T. 9,135 Preston N.E. v Bolton W.

9,020 Tranmere R. v Crewe A.

#### Lowest Crowds

1,882 Chester C. v Birmingham C.

2,135 Chester C. v Fulham 2,168 Chester C. v Bury

2,170 Chester C. v Crewe A.

2,229 Wigan A. v Walsall



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Children: No. Favourite Other

Team: Everton Favourite Away

Ground: Highbury

(Arsenal)

Best Player you have seen in your position:

Trevor Steven. Steve Coppell

Best Goal scored and

how: Last match of last season against North-

ampton

Best Goal seen: Mark Winstanley's against

Wrexham SVT.

**Best Sporting** Moment outside

football: Beating Phil Brown

at Snooker The Liveliest

Character you have met

in football: Adrian Heath

(Everton)

Details of your First Match:

I was 16 years old. came on as sub for Mansfield versus

Hartlepool for 20 mins. Won 4-0

Your worst moment on the football field:

Seeing Mark Came break his leg at Chester.

The funniest incident vou have seen on a football pitch: David Reeves tackling his own

players and Ian Stevens

playing in goal.

Your best pal in football: Mark Wright (Young pro at Everton) The best and worst

dressers among your team mates:

David Reeves Ian Stevens

Do you have any hobbies: Golf, Snooker

and fishing.

Your favourite newspaper: Sunday Sport

(They have some true to life stories)

Your favourite holiday spot: U.S.A./

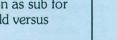
Isle of Man

Biggest risk taken in your life: Lending

Nicky Brookman money Happiest moment outside football:

Getting married last

summer.







## SWANSEA CITY



This afternoon we welcome the players, officials and supporters of Swansea City to Burnden Park. Writing before the Swans' midweek game against Rotherham, Ian Evans' side currently occupy a mid-table position after an early season of mixed fortunes. Last Saturday's 1-0 win at Walsall, courtesy of a second half goal

by Robbie James, was Swansea's fourth win in their last 6 League outings and suggested that Swansea are beginning to recapture some of the consistency they displayed in the first half of last season.

At the turn of the year Swansea occupied a regular place in the top five of the Third Division and promotion for the second season in succession was a possibility. The departure of manager Terry Yorath to Bradford City early in the New Year seemed to unsettle the side and only two League wins were gained from the last 18 games as Swansea slumped to a final position of 12th. Swansea had to wait for their fourth game of this season for their first win of the campaign, their 2-1 home victory over Chester being their first win for 16 Le que games, while a fine 3-1 win at Bristol City in October represented their first away win in the League for nearly a year.

At home Swansea have beaten Chester (2-1), Crewe (3-2) and Tranmere (1-0) and drawn with Northampton (1-1) and Notts County (0-0) and lost heavily to Reading (1-6). On their travels Swansea's two away League wins have come at Bristol City and Walsall with defeats at Huddersfield (0-1), Birmingham (0-2), Fulham (0-2), Bury (2-3) and Mansfield (0-4). Exeter City knocked them out of the Littlewoods Cup on a 4-1 aggregate in the first round. while in the European Cup Winners Cup the Welsh Cup holders lost to Greek side Panathinaikos on a 6-5 aggregate over the two legs in the first round. Manager at The Vetch is former Welsh International defender

lan Evans, whose distinguished career included spells at Q.P.R., Crystal Palace and Barnsley. He was formerly coach and assistant manager at Crystal Palace.

SWANSEA CITY
Season 1988-89
Division 3
Home
P46 W11 D8 L4 F33 A22
Away
W4 D8 L11 F18 A31
Pts 61 (12)
Most League Appearances
Melville 44 + 1, Hutchison 42

Melville 44 + 1, Hutchison 42 + 2, Coleman 43, Knill 43, Davies 42, James 38 + 3, Lewis 40, Hough 30 + 10, Thomber 27 + 4, Bracey 30. **Top League Scorers** 

Melville 10, James 9, Davies 5, Raynor 5, Bodak 4, Wade 4. This Season 1989-90 Scorers to date (Lge & Cup)

Upto and incl. 28.10.89. Melville 5, Raynor 5, Salako 4, Curtis 2, James 2, Phillips 1, Hutchison 1.

Goalkeeper Roger Freestone is on loan from Chelsea. Formerly with Newport County, he made 21 appearances in Chelsea's Second Division Championship winning side last season before losing his place to Dave Beasant. Lee Bracey was Swansea's regular 'keeper last season, making 30 consecutive appearances from his debut at Blackpool in November. He is a former West Ham apprentice.

Full back David Hough joined Swansea as an apprentice and has made over 150 League appearances since his first team debut in the 1983-84 season. Teenager Chris Coleman's cultured left back displays have won him a host of admirers in the last couple of seasons. Though Swansea born he served his apprenticeship with Manchester City before moving to the Vetch in August 1987. Andrew Melville is another Swansea born player who is considered an outstanding prospect. At home in the full back position or in the centre of defence, he missed only one League game last season and was Swansea's

				FAC	T FILE	
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Season	Div.	Position	Cup	Cup	Apps	Scorer
1984-85	3	20th	1	1	Lewis 43	Pascoe, Saunders 9
1985-86	3	24th	2	2	Sullivan 41, Price 41 Hutchison 38 + 3	Gibbins 6
1986-87	4	12th	2	4	Hughes, Harrison 46	McCarthy 14
1987-88	4	6th	1	2	Knill 46	Pascoe 13
1988-89	3	12th	1	2	Melville 44 + 1	Melville 10





top scorer with 12 goals in League and Cup games. **Terry Boyle** was a close season signing from Cardiff City. The experienced central defender has made nearly 400 League appearances for Crystal Palace, Bristol City, Newport County, Cardiff City and Wimbledon (loan) and has represented Wales at every level—schoolboy, youth, Under 21 and senior.

Robbie James began this season with 612 League appearances to his credit and an equally impressive tally of 121 goals. Locally born, the inspiring midfield player made 394 appearances in his first spell at the Vetch before moving on to Stoke, Q.P.R. and Leicester, rejoining Swansea in January 1988. He has won 47 Welsh caps and scored Swansea's winner against the Wanderers at The Vetch last October. Mark Harris is a Reading born defender or midfield player who followed manager lan Evans from Crystal Palace in search of regular first team football. Alan Curtis was a recent signing from Cardiff. The talented inside forward is now in his third spell at Swansea, for whom he has scored 95 League goals in around 350 League games and over a century overall in his career which has also seen service with Leeds, Southampton and Stoke (loan). Curtis has won 35 caps for Wales.

One player who needs in intro-



Back Row: Jason Prew, Terry Boyle, David Hough, Peter Lloyd. Middle Row: Ron Walton (Coach), Stewart Phillips, Cameron Toshack, James Heeps, Lee Bracey, Chris Coleman, Des Trick, Ken Davey (Physio). Front Rows: David D'Auria, Bryan Wade, Paul Raynor, Tommy Hutchison, Andrew Melville, Ian Evans (Manager), Steve Thornber, Andrew Legg, Robbie James.

Simon Davey, Phil Evans.

duction of course is Tommy Hutchison, still one of the classiest players in the division at the age of 42. Tommy has been playing League football since signing from Blackpool from Alloa in February 1968 and began this season with 750 English and 68 Scottish League games behind him. He joined Swansea in 1986 and has also played for Coventry, Manchester City, Bumley and Bulova (Hong Kong). He played for Scotland on 17 occasions.

John Salako is a Crystal Palace forward who has spent the early part of this season on loan at Swansea. Nigerian born, he made 12 appearances plus a further 16 as substitute in Palace's promotion side last season. Paul Raynor was signed from Huddersfield in March 1987. The Nottingham born striker began his career at Notts Forest, where he served his apprenticeship, but it was on moving to Leeds Road that he began to play regular first team football. Stewart Phillips was signed from West Brom last January. The long striding forward made his name at Hereford, scoring 83 goals in 293 games, before moving to The Hawthorns where his first team opportunities were limited to 15 games.

Steve Thornberwas signed from Halifax Town in 1988 and made 31 appearances in his first season at The Vetch. A midfield player, he was born in Dewsbury. David D'Auria is a local born midfield player who has progressed into first team contention via the junior ranks. Andrew Legg is a strong left winger who was signed from Briton Ferry last season. Defender Des Trick is another local product who celebrates his 20th birthday next week while Brian Wade was a former Trowbridge forward who joined the Swans from Swindon in the summer of 1988. Simon Davey is a young Swansea born forward who has developed through the junior sides.



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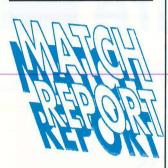
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#### SURVEYING ONE THIRD OF THE THIRD

The fixture computer had produced a full programme of mid-week pairings in DIVISION THREE as the season approaches the 1/3 stage, with fourteen League matches already completed.

Mathematicians would quickly point out that assuming the same level of consistency, Bolton for example, should accumulate 78 points by May which could be enough to gain outright promotion or at least guarantee a play off spot and no one would disagree looking at current form.

But all that is hypothetical since football is more complex and one cannot predict results. In the Championship race every point has to be won on merit. Lady luck has a big say in winning any competition and discussing the game with the Walsall people, who left Burnden Park delighted to have shared the points, were of the opinion

that their team hadn't enjoyed the rub of the green so far this season. Analysing the 90 minutes play, Walsall's luck had seemed to have changed on the night with the majority of breaks seemingly going to one of the red shirted visiting players but then there's the school of thought that you make your own luck.

In fairness though, Walsall's never say die approach paid dividends after having to succumb to another Julian Darby finely taken 25 yard first half opener which looked to have paved the way for further goals. But Walsall's perseverance finally paid off when much travelled striker Keith Bertschin slotted home a knock down from a corner in the second half to level and edge his team out of the bottom six in the table.

For the Wanderers, Gary Henshaw produced a sound display in midfield.

It was anticipated that Swindon manager Ossie Ardiles be in the audience on a spying mission pending next Tuesday's Littlewoods Cup replay but Wanderers showed him no more than he must already know.

A win would have guaranteed Bolton the Division's leadership but this went to neighbours BURY who took full advantage on away territory at BLACKPOOL with a 1-0 victory thanks to a Liam Robinson spot kick. It was a happy return to the seaside

for Shakers manager Sam Ellis if not for former 'Pool striker Tony Cunningham who marred his performance by being sent off. Their celebrations may however be short lived pending the outcome of BRISTOL ROVERS encounter with HUD-DERSFIELD the following night.

Today's visitors, SWAN-SEA enjoyed an encouraging 1-0 victory over high scoring ROTHERHAM at Vetch Field. Improved fortunes over recent games have hoisted the 'Swans' up the table. CHESTER secured a fine yet unpredictable 3-0 away victory at LEYTON ORIENT whilst table-toppers of only a few weeks ago. TRANMERE suffered a 3-1 defeat at SHREWSBURY. Neighbours WIGAN gained a confidence boosting 3-1 win over READING at Springfield Park.

Ex-Wanderer Warren Joyce was on target for PRESTON in the 2-2 draw at MANSFIELD and also George Oghani, now at HEREFORD put his team ahead at HALIFAX before another former Superwhite, Neil Matthews replied in this Fourth Division encounter at the Shav.

An indication that the Third Division is by no means clear cut is verified by the fact that FIVE different clubs have already commanded pole position this term.

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No seating available to visiting supporters.

Standing: £3.50/£2.00 Programmes: 70p

#### **Travel Information**

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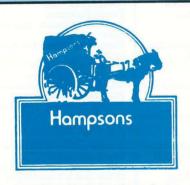
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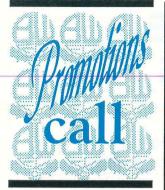
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#### LAUGHING TO THE BANK

According to Paul McLaughlin LIFELINE is the best thing since sliced bread—Warburtons of course!!

Word spread around Astley Bridge Conservative Club. where Paul is resident compere on Concert Nights, that he had won some dough — £1.500 to be exact.

But Paul's connection with the Wanderers goes back years. It was in the '70's that he produced the official Wanderers song, "Here We Go Again" and he secretly revealed that it's the second time he has scored with Lifeline. "I won £1.000 almost twelve months ago and now I've scooped the increased prize money, but I'm carrying on with my day job."

It was only a few months ago that the Club's resident drummer, Stan Holden, also won the Jackpot prize.

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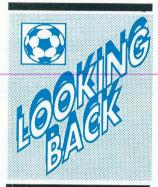
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1889—James Cassidy, a new centre forward from Glasgow Hibernians, made his debut for the Wanderers in a 6-3 defeat at West Brom. Kenny Davenport, Jim Brogan and David Weir were the Bolton scorers.

1893—Bolton went down to a 1-0 defeat at Preston in a League encounter that was a benefit for North End's Fred Dewhurst. At Pikes Lane the two clubs met in a Lancashire combination encounter with the Wanderers recording a 9-1 win.

1895—Two goals from Billy Joyce and one from Jim McGeachan gave Bolton a 3-2 win at West Brom. The game took place on a Monday afternoon and attracted only 2,000 spectators.

**1899**—The Wanderers entertained second placed Leicester Fosse who were unbeaten in the Second Division. A 2-2 draw resulted with Bolton's goals coming from Larry Bell and Hugh Morgan.

1905—After only one win in the opening nine games of the season it was Derby County who felt the Wanderers backlash who deal them a 5-0 hammering at Burnden. Sam Marsh hit a hat trick whilst Walter White and

Albert Shepherd also got onto the scoresheet.

1922—Bolton were without the injured Jim Seddon for the visit of Stoke City to Burnden which ended in a 1-1 draw with Joe Smith hitting his 8th goal of the season.

1933—A goal from Ted Drake gave Southampton a home success against a Bolton side that ended the game with only nine men. Harry Goslin sustained injury in the first half before the same fate struck centre forward Jack Milsom.

1944—A crowd of 4301 saw the Wanderers draw 3-3 with Accrington Stanley in a Football League Northern Section game at Burnden. Malcolm Barrass scored twice with George Hunt hitting Bolton's third.

1972—Bolton extended their unbeaten run to six games thanks to a Stuart Lee goal that was enough to take the points from a visit to Chesterfield.

1975—A 4-1 win over Portsmouth at Burnden put Bolton up with the Second Division pacemakers and took their unbeaten League run to thirteen games. Garry Jones hit two goals whilst the others came from Paul Jones and Neil Whatmore.



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BELOW RIGHT: Steve Thompson in action for Bolton against Chester. FAR RIGHT: Paul Comstive congratulates Tony Philliskirk after scoring Bolton's winner against Chester.





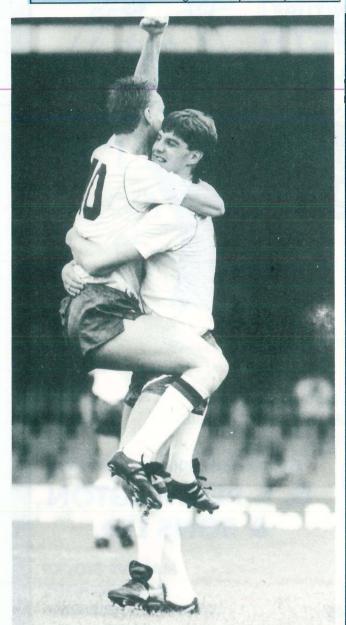


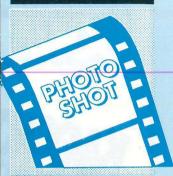
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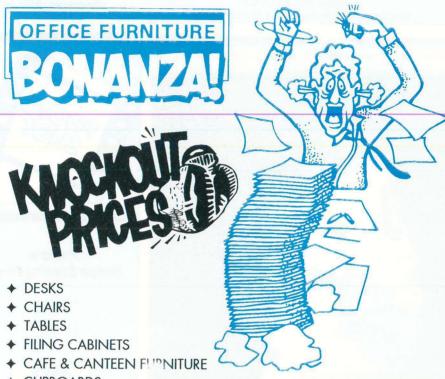




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"Fans are going to be disappointed"



he draw for the first round of the F.A. Cup last Monday lunchtime gave us a tricky looking game at Lancashire rivals Blackpool. A tie that brings back memories of the Sherpa Van Northern final second leg encounter back in April. It's certainly not going to be easy but it should turn out to be a cracker of a game, it's just a shame one of these two famous old clubs will be knocked out at such an early stage. This game has of course been made all ticket, which is going to affect the number of Bolton supporters who will be allowed to travel. With only around 2.600 tickets allocated to the Wanderers, as with the Preston game, quite a number of Bolton fans are going to be disappointed.

Today's game with improving Swansea, looks very interesting on paper (let's hope it's the same on grass), with the South Wales side putting up fine performances in recent weeks to win against Tranmere and Walsall, as well as running Bury very close a couple of weeks ago at Gigg Lane. They had hard lines in the Cup Winners Cup a few weeks back, and under manager Ian Evans and the ageless Tommy Hutchison, they do seem to be making steady progress up the Third Division table.

Turning the attention to ourselves for a minute though, and that superb win on the artificial surface at Preston last Saturday; old boys Tony Philliskirk and Ian Stevens must have been made up, but once again it was a fine all round team performance with Dave Felgate producing some excellent saves at vital times to keep our lead intact.

It's not easy to put the Swindon replay out of one's mind before Tuesday night because anyone who saw that first encounter must be licking their lips in anticipation. Surely a crowd of around 10,000 will be here on the night, especially with the incentive for the winners of a home tie in the next round in the shape of First Division Southampton. It promises to be something special, so get down to the ground early. Make plenty of vocal support and let's see the lads finish the job off. We have nothing to fear, just ask Blackburn and Watford.

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#### PONTIN'S LEAGUE FIXTURES 1989/90

Aug.	23	Sheffield W.	A
	30	Stoke C.	H
Sep.	6	West Bromwich A.	A
	13	York City	H
	19	Burnley	A
	20	Littlewoods Cup 2/1L	
	27	Blackpool	H
Oct.	2	Mansfield T.	A
	4	Littlewoods Cup 2/2L	
	11	Preston N.E.	H
	18	Port Vale	A
	25	Wolverhampton W.	H
Nov.	8	Wigan Ath.	H
	15	Sunderland	A
	22	Scunthorpe Utd.	A
	29	Barnsley	Н
Dec.	5	Grimsby T.	A
	13	Middlesborough	H
	19	Rotherham Utd.	A
	3	Stoke City	A
	10	Sheffield W.	H
	17	York City	A
	24	West Brom. Albion	H
	31	Burnley	H
Feb.	7	Blackpool	A
	12	Preston N.E.	A
	14	Littlewoods Cup SF/1L	
	21	Mansfield T.	H
	28	Barnsley	A
Mar.	5	Port Vale	H
	14	Scunthorpe Utd.	Н
	28	Wolverhampton W.	A
Apr.	4	Grimsby T.	H
	10	Middlesborough	A
	18	Rotherham Utd.	H
	30	Wigan Ath.	A
May	2	Sunderland	H

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It wasn't until the final six minutes that the deadlock was finally broken in a game that saw both defences put under long periods of pressure.

The home side had the better of the early exchanges with Ron Futcher seeing a couple of long range shots go just wide of the target.

The Wanderers were soon testing the Vale defence with Jeff Chandler prominent. Firstly he brought a spectacular save out of Trevor Wood from a 25 yard shot and then he got clear of the home defence only to lose control as he was about to shoot

Bolton held the initiative either side of half time with Gary Henshaw, Mike Jeffrey and Nicky Spooner all going close. The best chance to open the scoring fell to lan Stevens on the hour when he managed to get behind the Vale defence, evade the 'keepers challenge, only to see his shot cleared off the line by Kevin Finney.

It seemed that it wasn't going to be Bolton's night when six minutes from time yet another chance went begging. Ian Stevens couldn't get onto the end of a loose ball from a Jeff Chandler cross and the home side

broke clear to take the lead when Kevin Finney headed home.

The Wanderers immediately introduced Darren Mason for his first taste of reserve team football. Within two minutes of getting onto the field he volleyed home a spectacular equaliser after the home defence had only half cleared a right wing corner.

In the dying seconds the Wanderers still had the opportunity of gaining maximum points but Nicky Spooner saw a shot from close range go inches off the target.

Team: Rose, Hughes, Coffey, Spooner, Came, Stubbs, Henshaw, Oliver, Stevens, Jeffrey, Chandler. Subs: Mason for Coffey, Bentham.

#### PONTIN'S LEAGUE RESULTS

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Sheffield W.	A	1-1
Stoke City	H	3-4
W.B.A.	A	1-5
York	H	2-3
Burnley	A	1-0
Blackpool	Н	0-1
Mansfield T.	A	4-2
Preston NE	H	0-0
Port Vale	A	1-1
Wolves	Н	1-2



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#### **EDDIE** HOPKINSON B.W.F.C. 1956-70 & England

Eddie Hopkinson arrived at Burnden Park as a raw amateur in 1952 and became fourth in line to the No. 1 jersey. Eddie explained, "There was Stan Hanson, Ken Grieves and a young England schoolboy starlet. Joe Dean.'

It took four years in the wings before Eddie was given his chance in the first XI. "That was in 1956", he recalled, "Ken Grieves was in his testimonial vear at Lancashire Cricket Club. They wanted him to fulfil his commitments and it was then I got into the side.

Eddie seized the opportunity and soon became the recognised first team goalie, going on to complete a 15 year career at Bolton and establishing a Club League appearance record of 519 games. Along the way he picked up 14 England caps and a F.A. Cup winners medal from the 1958 Final. That was from the 2-0 victory over Manchester United and reflecting Eddie said, "It was shortly after Munich and there was a lot of emotion the other way round. But our coach George Taylor stressed that this was an F.A. Cup Final and insisted that we win the Cup for the town. George was a remarkable man and never got the reward he deserved; he never swore, never lost his temper but be could certainly read a game yet never saw us play away!"

Eddie was a member of the notorious £110 team and pointed out an inter-

esting fact when he said, "The side remained the same for five

or six years. Hopkinson, Hartle. Banks, Hennin, Higgins, Edwards. Birch. Stevens. Lofthouse, Parry and Hidden with Ralph Gubbins doing a good job when called upon. I can't think of any other club who has done the same and we didn't cost the Club any money. There was no jealousy amongst us, we just enjoyed ourselves but now the whole football scene has changed.'

When asked about two particular members of the team in Roy Hartle and Tommy Banks, Eddie said simply, "I'm glad I played behind them and not in

front.'

Eddie is a qualified F.A. coach vet like many ex-pro's doesn't watch football nowadays. "It's too much drawing board and bores my brains out" he said. Yet Bolton's result is always the first one he looks for, "I have a great affection for the Club and they shouldn't be out of the top flight. Phil Neal had a rocky start but now he's doing well and credit to him. If the team get back in Division One I might break my tradition and come to watch. I would have liked to have gone to Wembley though", he confessed.

The 'keeper made his international debut against Wales at Ninian Park in 1958. He recalled, "We won 4-0 and they paraded players like John Charles, Cliff Jones, Trevor Ford and Ivor Allchurch, all good players. Wales had quite a good team at the time.

Nowadays Eddie Hopkinson lives back in his native Royton, near Oldham, where he runs his Wines and Spirits business and admits to being "very busy".

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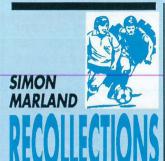


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"Encounters with the Wanderers"

Photo: Robbie Savage heading Bolton's winner in last season's corresponding fixture. Swansea make their eleventh football League visit to Burnden Park today having recorded just one success on the ground. That came in September 1980 when they won 4-1 in a Second Division encounter with two goals going to Alan Waddle and one each to Leighton James and Neil Robinson before Neil Whatmore bagged a consolation for the Wanderers.

The Welsh teams first visit was in December 1933 also at Second Division level. Bolton gave a debut to £3,500 signing from Notts County George Taylor and after six minutes play Jack Rimmer put the Wanderers one up. Firth equalised from the Swans three minutes from the interval, but Ray Westwood secured a 2-1 victory in the 74th minute to keep Bolton in third place, three points behind leaders Grimsby Town.

The following April Bolton earned a goalless draw from

their first League visit to the Vetch Field and they have not managed to keep a clean sheet on their ten League and Cup encounters there since then.

Bolton's only success at Swansea was in April 1973 when they won 3-2 on their way to the Third Division championship. 18 years old Neil Whatmore celebrated his debut by netting two of the goals.

It was also during 1972/73 that the Wanderers recorded their best home victory against Swansea. A 3-0 result came about thanks to a couple of goals from John Byrom and one from Garry Jones.

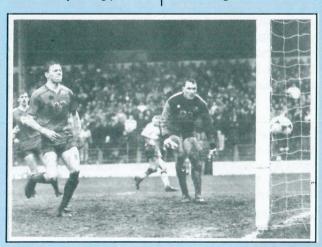
It proved to be a long time until Bolton tasted success in the League against Swansea again, for the Welshmen then went nine games without defeat in their encounters with the Wanderers.

This came to an end last February when a headed goal from Robbie Savage separated the sides. In fact it has taken only a single goal to earn Swansea the points on Bolton's last two visits to Vetch Field but both games were marred somewhat due to the flooding of the pitch during a torrential rainstorm.

Swansea came from behind to win 2-1 earlier this season in a game between the teams in the pre season Isle of Man tournament.

Our overall League record against Swansea is as follows:

	PI	W	D	L	FA	
Home	10	5	4	1	12 8	
Away	10	1	1	8	819	
Total	20	6	5	9	20 27	







Early seasons fortunes were up and down with three wins and three defeats in the first six games.

Bolton visited Everton on the opening day, a new covered stand, on the popular side of the ground, was opened and the home side won 2-1 despite Bob Thompson putting Bolton in front.

A centre forward was desperately required and James Cassidy was reinstated and he promptly scored the winner against Preston at Burnden.

Early in October the League leaders Aston Villa were visited on their new ground at Villa Park. As in the previous season the Wanderers went in at half time two goals to the good. David Nicholl, who had signed from Arbroath, grabbing both goals. Villa hit back, and in the second period, went on to win the game 3-2.

On the 30th October, after a 1-0 win over Sunderland at Burnden, thanks to a Cassidy goal four minutes from time.

Wanderers were nicely placed in third position. All of a suddenthings began to look rosy after three consecutive November wins, including a 2-0 home win over Villa, who were in second place.

Then came the crash. Ten League games without a win scoring in only two and only two points collected. The problems of the previous season were again

becoming apparent.

By the end of February a state of panic had set in. Without a League win since November, beaten by Lancashire League side Stockport in the Manchester Cup, Second Division club Newton Heath in the Lancashire Cup and ousted from the FA Cup by Southern League side Southampton.

A club record of five consecutive League games without a goal was recorded and a desperate remedy was required if the club were to avoid the test matches

The Wanderers had no game on the first Saturday in March and it seemed the rest did the team good for Wolves were beaten 2-1 at Burnden the following week. A draw at Liverpool and a home win against Everton, before only 3000, saw the Wanderers climb away from danger.

Victory over West Brom in April assured

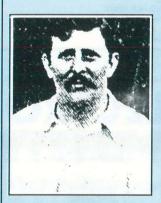




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the Wanderers of safety but the last three games of the season were all lost. The only consolation from these was a record gate of 19,350 for the visit of the new League champions Sheffield United who won 1-0.

Only eighteen goals had been scored at home, the worst in the First Division whilst only Preston scored less on their travels than the Wanderers. The total tally of 28 League goals for the season still remains the worst in the clubs history proving that the centre forward required at the start of the season still had to be found. Next season



JAMES CASSIDY

Scored winner against Preston there would be no escape as automatic promotion and relegation was to be introduced.

During 1898 club secretary Frank Brettell. a founder member of Everton, left the club to join Spurs. Full-back John Somerville took up the position continuing to play as required. In April a short Southern Tour was arranged. A 2-2 draw resulted at Spurs, one of their goals coming from former Wanderer Willie Jouce. and a 3-3 draw was played out with the Corinthians before a 30,000 crowd at Crustal Palace. The Wanderers had only expected a frivolous friendly at the Palace but the game had been billed as one of the Bank Holiday attractions within the great grounds.



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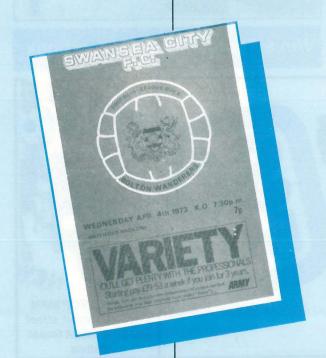
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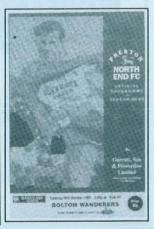
Bolton's only League success at Vetch Field.

Last Saturday's tremendous 4-1 win at Deepdale won the side the Barclays League 'Performance of the Week Award'.

The programme produced for the game was priced at 80 pand contained 32 pages, with the front cover designed by computer. Mike Payne's 'North End Scrap Book' was a very interesting article as was 'Bits & Pieces', a page which included an article on Nat.

Overall the programme was competent but the section on the Wanderers could have been a bit more in depth, with nothing refering to this seasons form.







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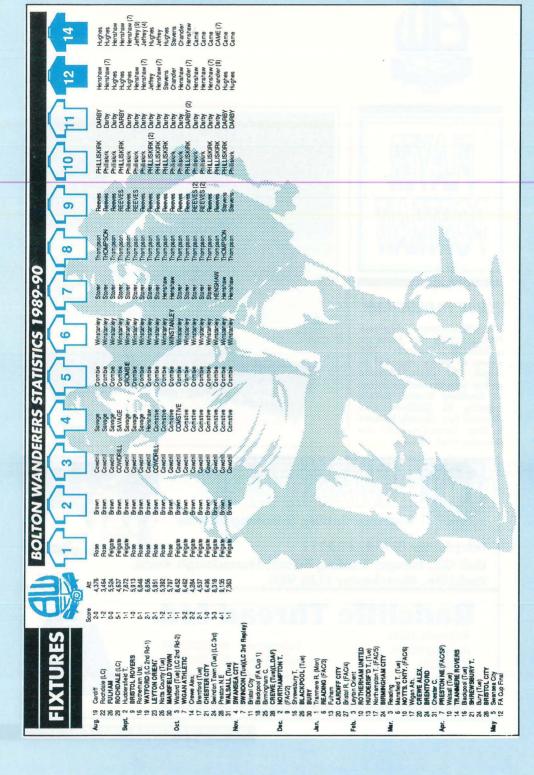
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Bristol R	13	7	5	1	16	6	26
Bolton	14	7	5	2	21	13	26
Bristol C	14	8	2	4	18	14	26
Shrwsb'ry	14	7	4	3	22	13	25
Tranmere	14	7	2	5	27	13	23
Rotherham	14	6	5	3	27	14	23
Notts Cty	14	6	5	3	18	14	23
Huddersfld	13	6	5	2	17	14	23
Birm'ham	14	6	2	6	18	18	20
Swansea	14	6	2	6	15	23	20
Reading	14	4	7	3	18	16	19
Fulham	14	4	6	4	15	15	18
Mansfield	14	5	3	6	13	15	18
N'hampton	14	4	4	6	17	21	16
Leyton O	14	5	4	8	19	25	16
Walsall	14	- 4	4	6	13	19	16
Preston	14	4	3	7	24	28	15
Blackpool	14	4	3	7	13	18	15
Chester	14	3	5	6	17	23	14
Crewe	14	2	6	6	16	21	12
Brentford	14	3	2	9	15	22	11
Wigan	14	2	5	7	13	22	11
Cardiff	14	1	6	7	12	26	9

#### TODAY'S MASCOT

#### Tim Whitehead

Tim is 8 years old, lives in Bolton and attends Markland Hill School. His favourite players are Julian Darby and Dean Crombie.

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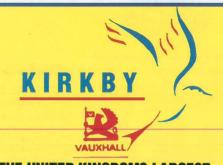
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- 5 Terry BOYLE
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